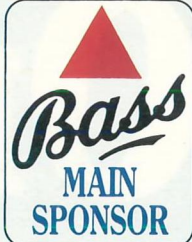


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AS THE TEAM coach arrived at Sincil Bank last Saturday, after being held up en route by masses of our supporters in cars and coaches, we saw a sight to gladden our eyes.

We were driving round the ground to the dressing room area when we saw some 2,000 Derby supporters just arriving from Lincoln railway station. I believe this had a large bearing on the result. We were in the dry and warmth of the coach, they stood in a hail storm. Wet and cold they were, yet still smiling and chanting in our support, doing all their power to encourage their team.

Nothing was said in the coach. It was obvious from the faces, though, that the sight and sound had a remarkable effect on each individual.

They were given dressing room instructions to make sure our supporters had plenty to enthuse about. Fortunately, the sun shone during the afternoon. The game, while never a classic, saw a controlled performance from the team which, following Bobby Davison's goal, missed a number of chances, but were well worth their 1-0 win. Whatever the season holds for us, and obviously we shall do all we can to achieve our goal, moments like that with our supporters will

never be forgotten by me.

We were frustrated by Tuesday night's 5.45 postponement at Darlington because of a water-logged pitch. I talked to four of our supporters at our hotel, and discovered one of them had travelled up all the way from London. Such is the support for our club.

I was very pleased at the Reserves performance in beating Barnsley this week. It was good to see Kenny Burns, our former player, in charge of Barnsley's Reserves. **WE WISH HIM EVERY SUCCESS IN COACHING AND MANAGEMENT.**

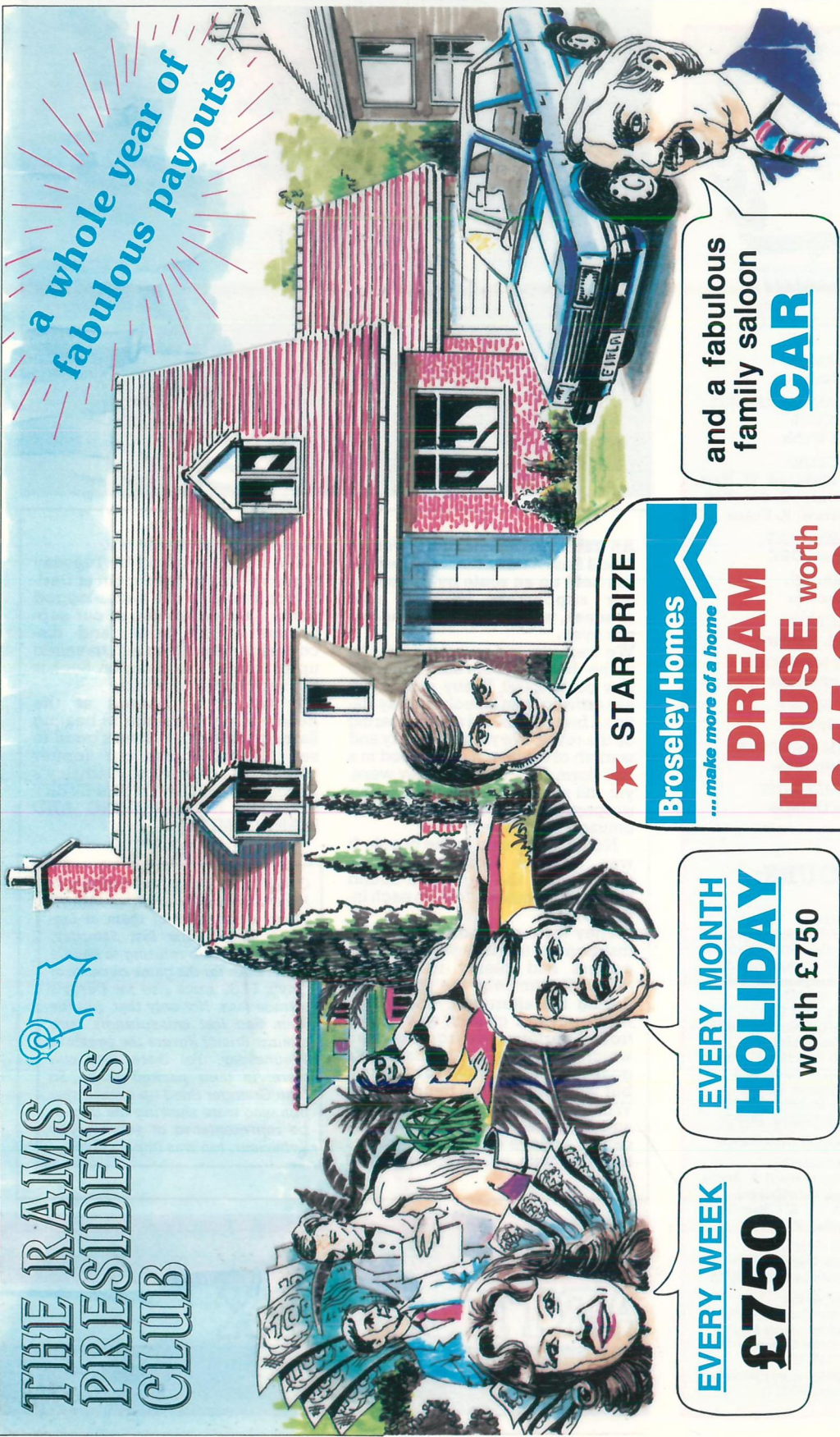
COVER SHOT: Our proud tribute to Rams' fabulous travelling 'Army'. There were 4,000 of them at Lincoln's Sincil Bank last Saturday, despite the club refusing to handle ticket sales for the game because of City's £1.30 price rise for Derby's terrace fans. Not only that, but the team had lost uninspiringly here against Bristol Rovers the previous Wednesday. Yet there they still were, in their packed ranks. So John Grainger lined up a small section who were showing the flag, to be representative of you all. The behaviour, too was impeccable.

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THANKS TO SOME SPECIAL PEOPLE



Selwyn Adams, boss of the family firm SPA Contractors Megalaughton Lane, Spondon, Derby, has sponsored matches at the Baseball Ground on several occasions, the most recent a week last Wednesday. Here Rams director Fred Fern thanks Mr Adams, watched by his wife and family, for their support . . . both as sponsors and ardent Rams fans.

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Opinion

BOARD ROOM FAITH . . .

DERBY COUNTY'S generals in the Board Room are leading from the front in their determination to restore the club to its rightful position in the top flight.

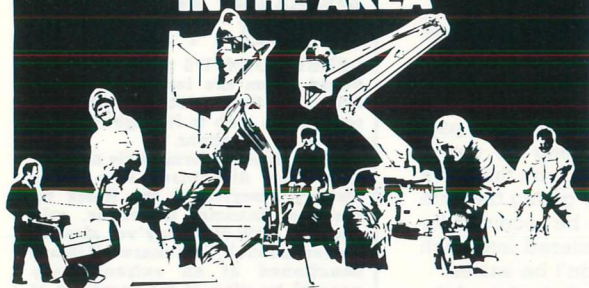
In yet another formidable show of faith the directors, who have already resurrected the Rams by massive financial injections, will convert £230,500 they've already loaned the club, into shares. If this is sanctioned at an extraordinary general meeting of the company at the Baseball Ground on May 3.

Vice-Chairman Stuart Webb comments: 'By converting the existing loans the directors are strengthening the club's balance sheet considerably, which will allow Derby County to talk in the most positive way to the financial institutions.'

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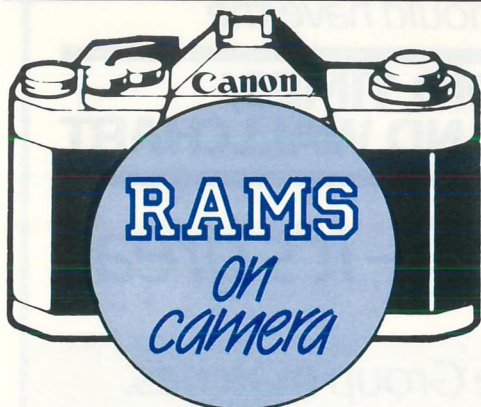
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Saturday 7th June, 6 pm and 8.30 pm

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Raw edges didn't show



LINCOLN CITY 0 RAMS 1

THE RAMS never really looked like conceding a goal, producing a calm, well-organised display that squeezed out a desperate opposition on an indifferent surface. They regained the composure missing more than once in recent weeks. The only possible complaint was their failure to put away the goals their superiority deserved. Trevor Christie's headed miss from point blank range was the most blatant, but far from the only blemish.

As the game reached its latter stages without a deserved addition to Bobby Davison's goal midway through the first half, they refused to let anxiety harass them on an uneven pitch with a muddy cut-up surface against a physical side, showing equal steel when forced to do. And playing the ball about nicely, even if without final thrust. A deserved controlled win, without the pressures of the Baseball Ground faithful to absorb them with their fever. Indeed, full marks to the huge contingent of travelling fans who supported patiently, and with maximum effect. **HB.**



Bobby Davison nets a Mickey Thomas cross deflected to him off a home defender.

Reserves poised

**Rams Res 2
Barnsley Res 0**

LAST Monday's home win over Barnsley put Rams one point behind Central League leaders Manchester City. Whatever Wednesday's result at Sheffield United (too late to be covered here), Derby County remain on course for the Championship.

Monday's victory was well deserved, though the visitors never stopped trying.

Derby's scorers were **Phil Gee** (again) and Mickey Lewis.

Team: Grew, Tucker, Harbey, Lewis, Pratley, Forsyth, Penney, Gee, Richardson (M), Garner, Chandler.

A ROUT

**Rams 'A' 11
Villa 'A' 1**

THIS sensational scoreline was put into perspective by Youth team manager Ken Gutteridge who told us: 'Villa had to field a very young team of schoolboys and apprentices because their Reserve side also had a match last Saturday. They had injuries too.'

'But that need not detract from the job done by our lads. Opposed by a weaker team, they won and they won well. That is all we can ask of them.' **Phil Gee** had a field day, scoring four goals. Team: Fogarty, Palmer, Tucker, Green, Forsyth, Lewis, Reed, Garner, Gee, McCord, Chandler. *Sub:* Briscoe for Palmer.



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Speaking



AFTER refusing to handle price inflated terrace tickets for our match at Lincoln, after similar price increases to visiting Rams fans at other Third Division grounds this season, why have Derby County acquiesced to Reading's imposition of £4 for standing Rams fans at Elm Park next Saturday.

The explanation is simple. The situation is totally different from that at Lincoln and the rest. Prospective Champions Reading are certain they could fill their ground with its

maximum 13,000 capacity without the help of visiting support. Such is the euphoria in the Berkshire town at the long-anticipated visit of what they consider their strongest rivals.

But, instead of telling us there would be no place for Rams fans on the ground that day as is their right. The Reading club felt they had a responsibility to see to it that at least a proportion of our 'Travelling Army', higher than almost every club except the First Division's top six could see the game. They offered 1,500 terrace places, though unfortunately not in a position to offer us segregated seating.

To accommodate our fans Reading FC are having to erect, on Berkshire police instruction, new barriers and strengthened segregation facilities for this one game, at an estimated cost of £3,000.

They discussed their position frankly with this club, and we are grateful they did. To cover their expenses they raised the cost of admittance to Rams fans to £4, making a £1.50 differential from the admission price for their own support. Derby County felt, that in all the circumstances, this was reasonable.

We are aware hundreds of our fans were eagerly awaiting the clash between two of the Division's top sides, and we felt they had to be given the opportunity to see the match, even if only 1,500 can go at £4 a head.

Once again it is a case of our trying to pour a quart into a pint pot, which is why priority has been given to season ticket holders to buy the £4 tickets.

WE BELIEVE READING FC HAVE PLAYED FAIR BY US, AND DERBY COUNTY ARE GLAD TO SAY SO PUBLICLY.

COMMENT

LAST weekend the 'Sunday People' took up 25 per cent of its short report on our match at Lincoln to say that a heavy police presence 'by Lincoln standard', stood by in case of 'crowd violence', at the match.

There was never a hint of trouble from the packed ranks of 4,000 Rams fans and they, like us, will resent the intended slur. Apart from an isolated incident or two, Derby County supporters' behaviour this season has been impeccable and the club is proud of them.

Lincoln police were said to be 'delighted' at the deportment of our fans.

WHO WAS TRYING TO PROVOKE WHOM?

In the Third Division it was a disaster night for promotion-seeking Derby, who crashed 2-0 at home to Bristol Rovers and were embarrassingly outclassed.

Embarrassing?

WE ARE indebted to Rams' Ley Stand season ticket holder C. A. Pipes of Wadsley, Sheffield, for the cutting (below) from the 'Sheffield Star'.

'Embarrassingly outclassed?' asks Mr Pipes, 'surely the only embarrassment was that a below par side let an outclassed Bristol Rovers off the hook.'

This was probably written on the sports desk by a sub who had never seen the game. **HE COULDN'T HAVE, COULD HE?**

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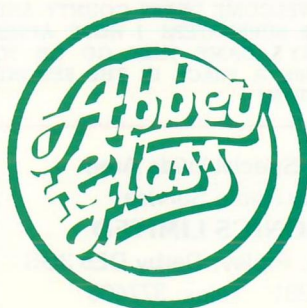
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RAMBLING AROUND

Sergeant Major Arthur inspects the Silver in the Trophy Room



NICK HARRIS is a 14-year-old from Hucknall over the border in Nottinghamshire. The only Rams' fan amid the Forest and Notts supporters who pack the pupil ranks in the school at which Steve Buckley once attended.

The only schoolboy among a party of 14 Hucknall-based fans who are PopSide season ticket holders, Nick wanted to do something practical for his beloved Rams for whom, says his Mum, 'he eats, sleeps and lives'.

Grins Nick: 'I spend all my pocket money on them.'

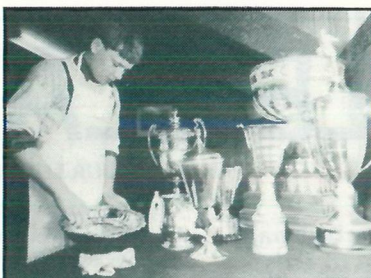
A few weeks ago he wrote to the club asking if he could do some work to help Rams during his Easter holidays. 'I left the letter on the mantelpiece,' he told me, 'I didn't think I'd get a reply.'

PICTURE ABOVE shows young Nick laughing as Arthur Cox shows him how to apply the spit-and-polish, while Roy Mac polishes the Boss. Bobby Davison (left) is having a ball.

PICTURE RIGHT shows 14-year-old Nick Harris working hard on the Club Silver.

But Mum did. She posted Nick's letter. And back went an instant reply from Rams Managing Director Stuart Webb:

'We would be delighted to have you spend some time with us at the Baseball Ground. We have a large collection of trophies in our Trophy Room, and they need a thorough cleaning from time to



time. It would be a wonderful opportunity for you to help us if you would come in to clean them.'

Nick did. Arriving half-an-hour before he was due, he was so keen. For a couple of hours Nick rubbed and rubbed. He was dumbfounded when all the players dropped in to talk to him, helped him shine. So did the MD, and members of staff. Manager Arthur Cox helped too, as did Roy McFarland. Nick was given autographs, refreshments and souvenirs for his trouble and concern for the club.

'Nick is but one example from our thousands of fantastic fans, and I congratulate him,' Arthur told me.

Nick grinned and grinned. 'I'm going to have a ball at school. Can't imagine this happening at Forest or Meadow Lane.'

YOUNG NICK WILL BE ON THE POP-SIDE TODAY. ALL OUR THANKS AND GOOD WISHES TO A VERY SPECIAL YOUNG FAN.

Well done, George

I DO NOT remember reading a more sincere tribute to a visiting club than Lincoln manager George Kerr offered in his programme last Saturday.

Recalling he worked for the Rams this season George wrote: 'I find myself in a rather peculiar position today having helped Derby this season in a scouting capacity, to help plan many of their earlier victories including, unfortunately, the 7-0 defeat of Lincoln City.'

George had it all worked out last Saturday, too. 'If I was writing a report this week for Derby' he said, 'I would have to say that Lincoln are a better side now . . . and that Derby will have to go all the way to get a result. I am quite sure that, knowing Arthur Cox as I do, this they will be prepared to do.' And they did.

So, I suggest, there was less than the usual pious lip service to visitors by home managers, when the Lincoln City boss made this comment:

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A pious hope?

IT'S PIE-IN-THE-SKY to hope this little tip-off will be followed up by the media.

When Reading fan Peter Illsley visited the Baseball Ground for his team's visit last November 30 he lost his way in the maze of streets surrounding the Baseball Ground. He was delighted to be helped by Rams' fans walking past, who directed his car to a suitable parking place, and then escorted his party to the ground.

Even more delighted was he at the co-operative Rams' fans in the stand who moved their seats about to enable Peter and his party to sit together. He and his friends were pleasantly delighted at the sportsmanship of the Derby supporters who surrounded them during the 1-1 draw.

'So impressed were we,' Peter Illsley writes to Rams Supporters Club Liaison Officer Ernie Hallam, 'that I want to reciprocate this goodwill. When Derby visit Elm Park (next Saturday) I want to entertain a couple of your supporters to lunch before the game, and then give them a conducted tour of the ground, meeting Reading people.'

Ernie asks me to invite any Derby fans travelling to Reading by Car to contact him next week at the Baseball Ground. 'I

want supporters who are ready to co-operate with Mr Illsley in this gesture of peaceful and happy co-existence between fans of rival clubs. I will put the Rams' fans we choose in quick touch with our Reading friend.'

IF NO-ONE ELSE COVERS THIS DELIGHTFUL STORY, WE MOST CERTAINLY WILL . . .

Brain teaser

NO BRAIN teaser was ever more complex than the price structures so many Third Division clubs have imposed on Derby County supporters when they have gone visiting this season.

But I reckon what happened at Lincoln takes the biscuit. A dog's biscuit. Unpalatable.

The terrace prices for our fans were upped to £3.50, a full £1.20 more than asked at the Lincoln supporters' turnstiles. Because of that Derby County declined to handle advance ticket sales here.

No seats were available for sale to Derby supporters. That was the edict from Sincil Bank. Yet what did we find when we arrived at Lincoln's ground? Tickets for the only stand still in use were on open sale to Derby fans as well as Lincoln's. **Priced £3.50.**

So we had the mind-boggling situation

where stand Rams' fans paid £3.50, while those who paid for seats on the day got them for the same price, £3.50. To round-off this Lincoln brain teaser, their own fans were on the terraces for £2.30.

The only thing missing was a rendering of the Lincolnshire Poacher over the tannoy.

I MUST SAY, THOUGH, THE STEWARDS AND THE HOME FANS WERE VERY FRIENDLY. FRIENDLIER THAN MOST. THEY PREVENTED A CERTAIN SOURNESS FROM STICKING IN THE GULLET.

A knock-out

ENGLISH DIVISION THREE

Blackpool 0 Wolves 1
Bournemouth 1 Plymouth 3
Bristol C 1 Lincoln 1
Bury 1 Bristol Rovers 1
Cardiff 1 Walsall 1
Chesterfield 4 Swansea 1
Derby 1 Brentford 10
Gillingham 3 Rotherham 0
Notts County 0 Reading 0
Wigan 0 Doncaster 1
York 3 Newport 1

THE SNAG OF INSTANT VERDICTS

A WEEK, said former premier Harold Wilson, is a long time in politics. What, then, of the perfidity of football where Derby supporters were inflated then deflated, in the space of 48 hours last week?

Wrote *The Times* on Tuesday April 8, the day after Rams' eye-catching 2-0 defeat here of Gillingham:

'This Derby team . . . would be quite a force at the higher level; indeed, as they showed when they took Sheffield Wednesday to a replay in the Fifth Round of the FA Cup, they would probably not be out of their class in the First Division.'

Two days later it was so different. Rams flourished to a 2-0 home defeat by lowly Bristol Rovers and 48 hours later, on Wednesday April 9. The national papers the following morning told a far-different story. 'Derby on edge', 'Derby throwing it away', 'Rubbish',

'Anxious Derby flop', and so forth and so on.

INSTANT VERDICTS, LIKE INSTANT FOOD HAVE ONE DRAWBACK. THEY TEND TO BRING ON INDIGESTION.

This Derby team, packed with experienced players, would be quite a force at the higher level; indeed, as they showed when they took Sheffield Wednesday to a replay in the fifth round of the FA Cup earlier this season they would probably not be out of their class in the first division.

RAMS' FANATIC Danny Rogers, former licensee at the Fishpond, Matlock Bath (my old local) writes from Cala Millor, Majorca, where he is now living:

'I know Rams have been wobbling a bit lately, but this is ridiculous.'

He enclosed the cutting (reproduced above) from the Mallorca Bulletin and adds his best wishes to all who know him.

'I am crossing my fingers for promotion,' Danny admits, 'So my regards and best wishes to Arthur and Roy Mac.'

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FACTS & FIGURES

By
**MIKE
WILSON**



WHEN RAMS managed only four points from the last three home games, all played within five days of each other, it suddenly brought on a dose of anxiety among us. And not only the supporters.

It was the failure to beat lowly Bristol Rovers, who pinched a 2-0 win, that brought it to a head. Instead of jumping up to second spot we were left floundering down in fifth place.

This has been a marvellous season from the club as it begins its rise from the ashes. The away record is above average, but the Baseball Ground is still not the almost impenetrable fortress it used to be. Not yet, anyway.

No doubt maximum points from the last three home games would have left both players and supporters alike in a more relaxed frame of mind to tackle the remainder of the season.

But those four points out of a possible nine left the Baseball Ground faithful in a state of bewilderment. Wondering whether, even with games in hand, their favourite team was gradually missing their chance to be promoted, in this most important of seasons. With all the possible changes and restructuring of the League now being mooted.

But the home form was a continuation of that throughout the last month. Since they beat Walsall on March 12, the team have won only two of the last six home games, drawing three, and losing to Bristol Rovers. It meant just nine points out of a possible 18. Far from promotion form.

Chance took

THEY HAD a golden chance to consolidate their standing in the Third Division, for including that home game with Walsall, they played six home games in eight fixtures, before going to Lincoln last Saturday.

In total those eight games, since the 3-0 victory over Notts County, at Meadow

Not yet a fortress

Lane, yielded 13 points of a possible 24. That represents the Rams' worst run of the season, although last Saturday's 1-0 win at Lincoln did improve the points ratio.

It has become increasingly obvious during recent home games that both crowd and players had grown more and more anxious, as points were frittered away, more as a result of the Rams' own shortcomings than superior opposition.

Had Derby gained those extra nine points from these six home games they would have gone into last Saturday's game with 75 points, four ahead of Plymouth, with two games in hand. That is what this home hiccup has meant to the Rams.

Be positive

BUT, on the positive side, in a table based on 37 games the Rams would have been in second place in spite of recent results. The table would have read as follows:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
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Gillingham	37	16	13	8	65	44	61
Walsall	37	19	6	12	75	50	63

This table is merely for passing interest. It could never have been reality, as Derby's games include those against Walsall and Gillingham, which are not included in their record.

The odds against catching Reading for the Championship lengthened, following the last three home results. But games in hand over their other nearest rivals, were still a viable proposition. Hopefully the Rams will have improved their chances with a result at Darlington last Tuesday so that we go into today's game against Bolton in the vital top three.

HISTORY IS REPEATING ITSELF IN AS MUCH AS TEAMS WITH GAMES IN HAND FIND THE GOING HARDER AS THE SEASON DRAWS TO A CLOSE.

ROSS REACHES 200th LEAGUE GAME

VICE-CAPTAIN Ross Maclaren played in the 200th League game of his career last Tuesday at Darlington.

Ross came down to England in 1980 to join Second Division Shrewsbury Town, from Rangers.

Edinburgh-born Ross (24 last Monday), made his League debut for the Shrews at Gay Meadow on November 11, 1980. He went on as substitute for Carleton Leonard in the goalless draw with Swansea City. Ross made four appearances in his first season, two in the number 12 shirt.

The following season (1981-82) Ross established himself in the Shrews' team, playing most of his games in the number six shirt. Though 12 of his 35 appearances were at right-back.

He also played in the domestic Cup competitions for the first time and scored his first ever senior goal in the League Cup. In a second round first leg game against West Brom at the Gay Meadow on October 6, 1981, Steve Biggins also scored in the 3-3 draw. Albion won the second leg 2-1.

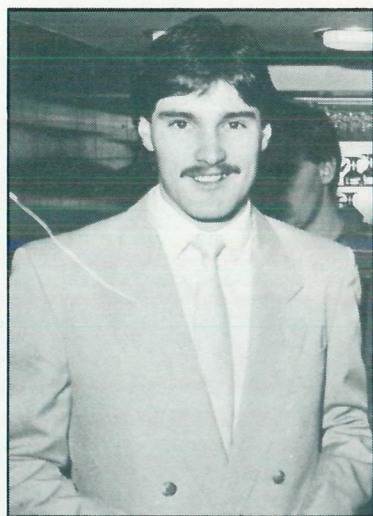
Consistency

IN EACH of the next two seasons Ross missed only two League games. His first League goal came in September 1982, when he scored from the spot in a 2-1 win at Burnley. All of his games in 1982-83 were in midfield in the number eight shirt. He followed his five goals that season with seven in 1983-84. Last season Ross, an ever-present for the first time,

added a further six goals, four from penalties.

He played in 161 League games for Shrewsbury, three as substitute. He notched nine penalties in a total of 20 goals. This season he has been a Rams' ever-present and has scored three goals.

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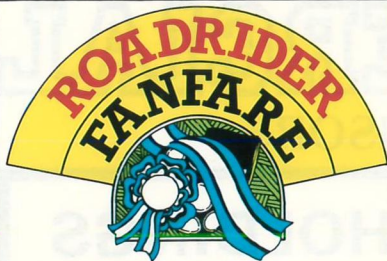
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LINCOLN took a chance selling seat tickets to Rams' fans last Saturday. Which club would have been blamed had there been trouble.

As it was I found it delightful to sit and mix with the Lincoln folk, all rabidly partisan, yet real sports. We all shook hands afterwards.

This is the spirit we want to see regained at football ... between real fans. Please pass on to a Lincoln paper the hopes of me and my mates that the Imps manage to stay in Division Three. They have a diabolical ground, pitch and facilities.

But, damn it, the friendliness there is something special — Rams' PopSiders, Avondale, Spondon, Derby.

PS: Please withhold names and addresses. There are a few in our area at the BG who might think we've gone soft. We have, and we enjoy our football better.

NEED THERE BE A PLAYER OF THE YEAR THIS TIME?

I AM SORRY there is to be a Player of the Year award this season. Ross MacLaren is probably favourite, but it's not a one-horse-race.

Davo, and others, are in there with a great chance. My point, however, is that all our players deserve praise.

The players and management have given us a memorable season which will end, hopefully, in promotion. So why not give a joint award to the lot of them? They deserve it — Darren Wheatland (PopSide season ticket holder), Chad-desdem, Derby.

● It's been a team effort, still is. But surely the man chosen for the honour is the Supporter's Choice. It's a coveted honour.

Promotion or not, we're the best-equipped team in the Third Division

WHATEVER happens to our promotion bid there is no doubt the present Rams' squad is the best-equipped of the Third Division front runners to make an impact on Division Two.

They will get more time to play the football so often harrassed, kicked and shoved out down at this level. Less long ball stuff over midfields, more playing the ball about. There is a skill factor at Derby.

Why do I write this? I am inspired by a quote from Birmingham manager John Bond, whose welded ball playing sides at Norwich and Manchester City and knows what he is talking about. See what he said:

"I went and saw Reading play the other night and it was awful. Teams like that, who just want to belt the ball forward, are doing the game no good at all.

What Birmingham City manager John Bond told TODAY newspaper on April 12.

Apart from Plymouth and Rams, all other Third Division sides fall into this category. That's why I reckon, if we are promoted, fans here are in for a treat. If we don't, the side will be pulled down to Division Three level which is what has been happening recently. Cross your fingers, like me. — Ted Brennan, Collington Gardens, Mackworth, Derby.

Three-D Derby

'DISASTROUS, disappointing, diabolical.' They were some of the adjectives used to describe our home defeat

Send him a signal

AFTER following Rams all over for 10 years, I was upset at my posting to West Germany in this crucial season. On a recent leave I was delighted to see the atmosphere of the seventies coming back to the BG, and despite a hiccup or two, I cross my fingers this is Revival year.

There are 200-odd soldiers here supporting 80 teams, so it's hard to win any respect for the club as I am the sole Derby fan. But this season's results, and our crowds, would make any fan proud. I'm not the only one here to notice. Most of the lads say we are a First Division club in the wrong sphere, and it's suprising how many fans of the big clubs actually look out for our results. — 24719050 Sig. Ellis, 207 Sig. Squadron, 7 Armoured BDE, Soltan, BFPO37.

PS: I would appreciate any fan, male or female, who would write me with news of the Rams to keep me in touch.

by Bristol Rovers, a match which was a complete waste of money for fans. Get your fingers out lads. Remember, 11,000-plus of us are giving you 100%, and we deserve it from you. Let's have some proper football played. — C. Taylor, Darley Dale, Matlock, Derbys.

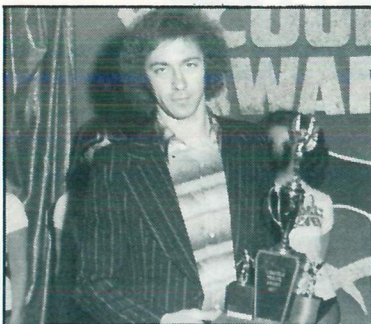
Not enough

SEVERAL times this season 'Roadriders' to away games have been sold out, with only one coach put on. I have been in the Ramtike at the same time as others trying to get on, but no extra coach was put on. Surely every member of the Travel Club should have coaches provided if they wish to go shout on the Rams. — J. Cash, 38 Isleworth Drive, Mackworth Estate, Derby.

*Whenever there are enough bookings to ensure against running a coach at a financial loss it is engaged.

A convert

I THANK Derby County for the hospitality and friendship shown by all at your ground to my son when he came as Darlington's mascot recently. Ben thoroughly enjoyed himself. As he has grandparents at Belper, I think that perhaps you have another convert for the Rams' cause. — Brian Richardson, 13 Hall Cliffe Grove, Wakefield, West Yorks.



Charlie George was Rams' Player of the Year in season 1977-78.

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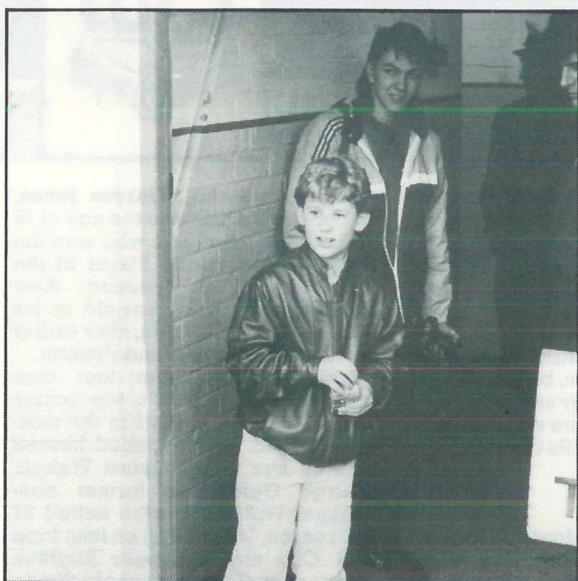
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JUNIOR RAMS



HERE'S a Junior Ram with a golden pedigree, watching Rams at Lincoln from the dressing room tunnel last Saturday . . . a boy with a father you all know. Rams' injured midfield star John Gregory, who is standing alongside the lad, out of shot. John's young son Stewart, an ardent Rams' fan, is enjoying the proceedings. Be like him . . . join the Junior Rams for an exciting summer and, hopefully, an even more exciting next season.

SUPPORTERS CLUBS *Diary*

FAINT HEARTS are seldom tolerated by supporters when players are under scrutiny. But are some supporters not guilty of what is not tolerated in others?

That Rams have stuttered in recent weeks is undeniable. But after the tremendous mental and physical demands on the players when they overcame a fine Gillingham side in good style here a week last Monday, didn't they deserve encouragement during their clash with Bristol Rovers here just 48 hours later. The third of three home games in five days. Okay, so the players were frustrated but what of the frustrations allowed by supporters? Some of the comments flung at them at the end when they had lost, were not really those which ought to be heard on the ground of a family club. Certainly not from Rams' fans.

Such faint hearts deserve to be ashamed by a letter I received from the Olveston area of Bristol a day or so later. Asking how to become a member of the Derby County Supporters Club! Amazing, but true. Stick by the lads. We need all they can give us, and they need us more now than ever before.

We are in the process of re-arranging the semi-finals and final of the sports quiz. Announcement shortly. Promotion would make all our functions brighter occasions, but it is an absolute necessity for those branches where Promotion Dinners have already been arranged, with fingers crossed. No such problems at the Castle Donington dinner at the Manor Hotel, except that President Bobby Davison was confined to 'quarters' because of matches on the following Monday and Wednesday evenings. But directors Fearn and McKerron contributed to the success of the occasion.

I didn't get to the HQ's Games Evening with Sawley Packaging. I was running a quiz at Heanor's reception of Chesterfield Supporters Club. It is a pointer to the bonhomie between Rams' fans and local industry that Sawley Packaging participated with us, while the friendships between rival supporters in Derbyshire is another step on the rehabilitation road.

I had to write this before our Tuesday trip to Darlington. My heart tells me we will not have returned pointless. Have faith . . . it moves mountains. — ERNIE HALLAM

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TODAY'S

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BOLTON WANDERERS

by Phil Tweed

FOLLOWING Bolton's disappointing start to the season Phil Neal, the former Liverpool and England star took over the reins at Burnden Park. And already the club has felt the benefit of the personnel and tactical changes he introduced.

His first task was to get them away from the foot of the table, and a successful March and April have surely wiped out all relegation fears.

Bolton had lost only one of their last eight matches up to last Saturday. That was a recent 3-1 home defeat by Blackpool where, since March 1, they have beaten Cardiff (1-0) and Reading (2-0), plus a 1-1 draw with York.

They have won two and drawn one of their last away games. A thoroughly deserved 3-1 success at Championship-chasing Wigan, the first time the Latics had lost on their own midden in 34 games, plus a fine 4-2 success at Bournemouth. They drew at Lincoln 1-1. Altogether, an impressive current record.

Neal's recently introduced sweeper system has proved extremely successful as recent form has demonstrated. It has shored up a previously suspect defence, thus allowing the midfield skills and attacking talent of the Wanderers to be used to get effect.

Now near to a full strength side after an injury-riddled season Bolton are likely to pose a greater threat to-day than they did in the Rams' 1-0 victory in a rugged game at Burnden last November.

But perhaps the major lesson to be learned from this meeting of two famous clubs is that football has its own law of equalisation. A common denominator which takes no account of forward planning.

Where might be the self-styled, aspiring breakaway 'aristocrats' in

eight years? If they have time to open their eyes they might glimpse Bolton and Wigan in the backcloth. Bolton (once famous), Wigan (recently non-League). Such is the contortion of football.

Ours is a fickle game. It does not suffer fools lightly. And those who predict the long-term, based on current trends, are hardly anything else. If that were the case we would all still be writing on the walls of caves...

The squad

In goal is **David Felgate**, a former Bolton player now on loan from Grimsby Town. His deputy is 23-year-old **Simon Farnworth**, a former Bolton apprentice who made his debut last season.

Full-backs include the 30-year-old Gateshead-born former Burnley defender **Derek Scott**, who was an England schools international on the right, and former Burnden apprentice **Jimmy Phillips** a Bolton-born defender.

Also at full-back recently has been **Mark Carne**, a 25-year-old who joined Bolton from non-League Windford United a couple of years ago. **David Sutton**, the former Huddersfield Town skipper signed from the Yorkshire club earlier this season.

Sparkling midfield is 36-year-old Scottish international **Asa Hartford**, a star turn with many clubs during a sparkling career. He was signed from Norwich City last summer, and is partnered in the middle of the park by player-manager **Phil Neale**, long standing England international and Liverpool full-back, who can do his stint in defence when the team is pressed back.

Other midfield men are **Steve Thompson**, a Bolton regular for the

past two seasons, **Warren Joyce**, who made his debut at the age of 19 in April last year, and who won the North West's Young Player of the Year award last season. Also **Graham Bell**, a 31-year-old in his third season at Burnden, after earlier service with Carlisle and Preston.

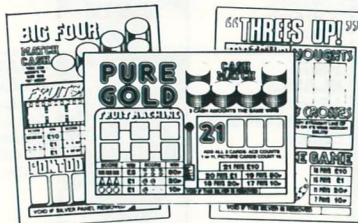
Strikers come from four contenders. Last season's top scorer **Tony Caldwell**, signed in the summer of 1983, who excelled himself with all five goals against Walsall, **George Oghani**, a former non-League with Hyde who netted 21 last season, **Mike Ring** on loan from Hull City and a former Brighton player as well as 21-year-old **Simon Rudge**, a Warrington-born former Burnden Park apprentice.

The history

On reflection it was a 'man bites dog' story to those who remember Bolton's better days. I refer to the headlines last month when they ended Wigan's run of 33 unbeaten home games.

A mere eight years ago, when Bolton were a First Division club, and Wigan merely an ambitious non-League outfit, the only headlines would have been if the Trotters had failed to win. The club, one of the League's 12 founder members, was formed in 1874 as Christ Church FC. As they started without funds, each member contributed sixpence towards the purchase of a ball.

In its early days the club, which adopted its Bolton Wanderers name in 1877, had the usual ground troubles before settling at Pike's Lane in 1881. Until the League was formed in 1888 they played in North West Leagues, and in the FA Cup. Wanderers acquitted themselves well in the early days of League football, and they moved to their present



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Burnden Park. Between 1900 and 1911 Bolton moved between Divisions One and Two seven times before beginning to make a real impact on the game.

The club's return to the First in 1911 saw them finish fourth, and they were always there or thereabouts until the 1914 World War stopped play.

In 1921 and 1925 they finished First Division runners-up, still their highest-ever League placing. But it was the FA Cup where Bolton had their successes in the twenties.

They won the first-ever Wembley Cup Final in 1923, beating West Ham, they won the Cup again in 1926 (beating Manchester City), and in 1929 when Portsmouth were vanquished. By contrast, the thirties were a disappointment when they spent two seasons in Division Two. But by the outbreak of the Second World War they were back with a fine young side which, sadly, was never able to mature.

When football was resumed in 1947 the team had to be rebuilt and first Walter Rowley then Bill Ridding saw them again hungry for success in the fifties. Inspired by Nat Lofthouse (their 'Lion in Vienna' centre forward) they were at Wembley again in 1953, only to be beaten in the 'Stan Matthews' Final which Blackpool won against 10 men in the



BOLTON WANDERERS: Back row (left to right): Mark Came, Dave Sutton, Simon Farnworth, Paul Fitzpatrick, Sam Allardyce. Middle: Walter Joyce (Coach), Steve Thompson, Tony Caldwell, Jimmy Phillips, David Cross, Roger Walker, Warren Joyce, Peter Nightingale (Physio). Front: Asa Hartford, Derek Scott, Graham Bell, George Oghani, Dean Roberts, Simon Rudge, Charlie Wright (Team Manager). Phil Neal (Player-Manager), Colin Irwin (First Team Coach), Mark Gavin (new player).

days before substitutes, and one limping.

Five years later they beat a post-Munich Manchester United to inscribe their name on the trophy for the fourth time.

In 1964 it was down again to Division Two where, they remained until 1973 when they sank into the Third for the first time. Former England skipper Jimmy Armfield guided them back two years later and,

though he moved on to Leeds in the post-Clough era, it was he who set the stage for Bolton's 1978 Second Division Championship season.

Their reign in the First was brief.

In 1980 they went back down to Two, with the Rams as companions, and they reached Division Three a year before Derby.

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Aug 20	Nott'm Forest	0 - 3
Aug 27	Newcastle Utd	1 - 2
Sept 5	Barnsley	2 - 1
Sept 10	Everton	4 - 1
Sept 19	Sheffield Wed	2 - 0
Sept 26	WBA	2 - 1
Sept 30	Leicester City	1 - 1
Oct 7	Hull City	6 - 0
Oct 15	Liverpool	3 - 1
Oct 23	Huddersfield T.	7 - 0
Nov 6	Blackburn Rov.	1 - 0
Nov 12	Leeds Utd	2 - 1
Nov 19	Manchester Utd	0 - 2
Nov 26	Sheffield Utd	3 - 1
Dec 10	Manchester City	0 - 1
Jan 15	Nott'm Forest	3 - 0
Jan 21	Everton	1 - 0
Jan 30	Newcastle Utd	4 - 0
Mar 5	Leicester City	2 - 2
Mar 12	Hull City	0 - 0
Mar 17	Huddersfield T.	1 - 0
Mar 20	Blackburn Rov	3 - 0
Mar 27	Aston Villa	1 - 3
April 1	Leeds Utd	0 - 1
April 14	Barnsley	2 - 0
April 16	Sheffield Utd	
April 21	Wigan Athletic	
April 25	Liverpool	
April 28	Aston Villa	
May 1	Manchester City	
May 5	Manchester Utd	
May 8	WBA	
TBA	WBA	
	Wigan Athletic	
	Sheffield Wed	

CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

	Home						Away								
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	G	D	L	F	A	Pts	G	D
Reading	40	13	3	4	33	21	13	3	4	28	25	84	+15		
Plymouth Argyle	40	14	3	3	45	18	8	5	7	29	29	74	+27		
Derby County	38	11	5	3	39	16	9	7	3	30	17	72	+36		
Wigan Athletic	41	14	4	2	45	14	6	8	7	27	30	72	+28		
Gillingham	42	12	5	3	44	16	7	8	7	30	35	70	+23		
Walsall	43	14	7	1	56	21	6	2	13	29	39	69	+25		
Notts County	41	10	6	4	35	24	7	6	8	27	32	63	+6		
Doncaster Rovers	42	7	10	5	18	18	9	4	7	23	27	62	-4		
York City	41	13	3	3	39	13	4	6	12	25	38	60	+13		
Bristol City	40	13	5	3	40	18	3	7	9	20	35	60	+9		
Brentford	40	7	7	6	24	24	9	3	8	25	28	58	-3		
Blackpool	40	9	5	6	34	18	6	6	8	26	26	56	+16		
Rotherham United	42	12	5	5	40	17	2	7	11	16	36	54	+3		
Bournemouth	42	9	5	7	40	29	6	3	12	23	35	53	-1		
Bristol Rovers	41	9	6	6	25	19	5	3	12	22	48	51	-20		
Bolton Wanderers	41	10	4	8	35	26	4	4	11	16	29	50	-4		
Chesterfield	42	9	6	6	37	27	3	7	11	18	31	49	-3		
Darlington	36	8	4	4	33	26	5	6	9	21	35	49	-7		
Bury	41	9	6	5	40	25	1	5	15	14	37	41	-8		
Newport County	41	6	7	8	31	32	2	9	9	14	31	40	-18		
Lincoln City	39	7	6	6	28	28	2	7	11	19	39	40	-20		
Cardiff City	43	5	5	11	18	28	5	4	13	30	51	39	-31		
Swansea City	42	9	5	7	27	24	1	4	16	14	57	39	-40		
Wolverhampton	42	5	6	11	26	46	4	4	12	22	42	37	-40		

CENTRAL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE '85-86

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester United	30	17	5	8	43	25	56
Manchester City	29	15	7	7	55	32	52
Derby County	25	16	3	6	51	21	51
Liverpool	28	15	3	10	68	45	48
Newcastle United	29	13	6	10	48	49	45
Aston Villa	29	14	3	12	50	53	45
Leeds United	29	14	1	14	59	63	43
Sheffield Wednesday	26	13	3	10	46	35	42
Hull City	29	13	3	13	45	46	42
Blackburn Rovers	29	13	2	14	52	42	41
Leicester City	29	11	7	11	51	51	40
Nottingham Forest	26	11	3	12	56	49	36
Barnsley	28	10	2	16	36	52	32
Sheffield United	28	9	4	15	33	66	31
West Bromwich Albion	27	7	9	11	33	50	30
Wigan Athletic	27	9	2	16	35	47	29
Everton	27	8	4	15	24	38	28
Huddersfield Town	29	6	9	14	45	66	27

MIDLAND INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE FIXTURES 1985-86

Date	Opposition	F	A	Date	Opposition	F	A	Date	Opposition	F	A
Aug. 17	Wolves	3 - 2		Nov. 2	Mansfield	0 - 1		Mar. 22	Shrewsbury	1 - 1	
Aug. 24	Nott'm Forest	2 - 0		Nov. 9	Stoke City	0 - 0		Mar. 29	Leicester City	1 - 3	
Aug. 31	Aston Villa	2 - 2		Nov. 16	Chesterfield (LC)	1 - 0		Apr. 5	Walsall	1 - 1	
Sept. 7	Shrewsbury	0 - 2		Nov. 23	Notts County (LC)	0 - 1		Apr. 12	Aston Villa	11 - 0	
Sept. 14	Coventry	2 - 2		Dec. 14	Wolves	1 - 1		Apr. 19	WBA		
Sept. 21	Notts County	2 - 3		Dec. 21	Nott'm Forest	3 - 2		May 3	Stoke City		
Sept. 28	Leicester City	1 - 4		Jan. 25	Nott'm Forest (LC)	0 - 3					
Oct. 5	WBA	2 - 3		Feb. 1	Coventry City	5 - 1					
Oct. 12	Port Vale	3 - 1		Feb. 22	Port Vale	4 - 0					
Oct. 19	Walsall	7 - 1		Mar. 8	Mansfield	5 - 1					
Oct. 26	Chesterfield	2 - 1		Mar. 15	Chesterfield	2 - 1					

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

Date	V	Opposition	F	A	Att.	Pts
Aug 17	H	AFC Bournemouth	3-0	11,324	—	—
Aug 21	H	Hartlepool MC1-1L	3-0	8,419	—	—
Aug 24	A	Wigan Athletic	1-2	4,707	—	—
Aug 26	H	Wolverhampton W.	4-2	13,154	6	—
Aug 31	A	Bristol Rovers	0-0	4,961	7	—
Sept 4	A	Hartlepool (MC1-2L)	0-2	1,611	—	—
Sept 7	H	Blackpool	1-2	10,702	11	—
Sept 14	A	Bury	1-1	3,684	12	—
Sept 17	A	Bristol City	1-1	7,750	11	—
Sept 21	H	Chesterfield	0-0	13,259	13	—
Sept 25	H	Leicester City (MC2-1L)	2-0	12,504	—	—
Sept 28	A	Cardiff City	2-0	3,435	8	—
Oct 2	H	Swansea City	5-1	9,169	6	—
Oct 5	H	Notts County	2-0	14,406	5	—
Oct 9	A	Leicester City (MC2-2L) 7.45	1-1	10,373	—	—
Oct 19	H	York City	2-1	11,157	4	—
Oct 22	A	Gillingham	2-1	4,613	2	—
Oct 26	H	Plymouth Argyle	1-2	11,433	4	—
Oct 30	H	Nottingham Forest (MC 3)	1-2	25,000	—	—
Nov 2	A	Rotherham United	1-1	6,030	7	—
Nov 6	A	Brentford	3-3	4,600	7	—
Nov 9	H	Lincoln City	7-0	10,500	4	—
Nov 16	H	Crewe Alex. (FAC 1)	5-1	11,047	—	—
Nov 23	A	Bolton Wanderers	1-0	5,887	4	—
Nov 30	H	Reading	1-1	16,140	7	—
Dec 9	H	Telford United (FAC 2)	6-1	12,267	—	—
Dec 15	A	Doncaster Rovers	3-0	4,617	3	—
Dec 22	H	Wigan Athletic	1-0	14,047	2	—
Dec 28	A	Wolverhampton W.	4-0	9,100	2	—
Jan 4	A	Gillingham (FAC 3)	1-1	8,983	—	—
Jan 8	H	Gillingham (FAC 3 R)	3-1	10,959	—	—
Jan 15	A	Brentford (FLR/Q)	0-0	2,531	—	—
Jan 18	A	AFC Bournemouth	1-1	5,700	3	—
Jan 22	H	Gillingham (FLR/Q)	0-2	3,271	—	—
Jan 25	A	Sheffield United (FAC 4)	1-0	22,658	—	—
Feb 1	A	Blackpool	1-0	6,732	3	—
Feb 8	A	York City	3-1	5,994	3	—
Feb 22	A	Chesterfield	0-1	9,000	4	—
Feb 26	H	Sheffield Wed (FAC 5)	1-1	22,781	—	—
Mar 1	H	Cardiff City	2-1	11,014	4	—
Mar 5	A	Sheffield Wed (FAC 5R)	0-2	29,077	—	—
Mar 8	A	Notts County	3-0	13,086	4	—
Mar 12	H	Walsall	'3-1	13,434	3	—
Mar 15	H	Darlington	1-1	11,824	3	—
Mar 19	H	Bristol City	2-0	11,113	3	—
Mar 22	A	Plymouth Argyle	1-4	11,700	3	—
Mar 29	H	Newport County	1-1	11,256	4	—
Mar 31	A	Walsall	1-1	8,700	4	—
April 5	H	Brentford	1-1	11,026	5	—
April 7	H	Gillingham	2-0	11,351	4	—
April 9	H	Bristol Rovers	0-2	11,033	5	—
April 12	A	Lincoln City	1-0	7,634	3	—
April 19	H	Bolton Wanderers				—
April 22	A	Newport County				—
April 26	A	Reading				—
April 30	H	Bury				—
May 3	H	Doncaster Rovers				—
May 6	A	Swansea City				—
May 9	H	Rotherham				—
TBA	A	Darlington				—

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Wallington	Streete	Buckley	Lewis	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison ²	McClaren ¹	Chandler	Blades
Wallington	Streete	Buckley	Lewis +	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison	McClaren	Chandler ¹	Blades(58)
Wallington	Streete	Buckley	Lewis ¹	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie ²	Davison ¹	McClaren +	Chandler	Blades(86)
Wallington	Streete	Buckley	Lewis	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison	McClaren	Chandler	Blades
Wallington	Streete	Buckley	Lewis	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison	McClaren	Chandler +	Blades(80)
Wallington	Streete	Buckley	Lewis	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison ¹	McClaren	Chandler	Blades
Wallington	Palmer	Buckley	Williams	Hindmarch ¹	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison	McClaren +	Chandler	Blades(87)
Wallington	Palmer	Buckley	Williams	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison ¹	McClaren	Chandler	Blades
Wallington	Palmer	Buckley	Williams	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison	McClaren	Chandler	Blades
Wallington	Palmer	Buckley +	Williams	Hindmarch	Maclaren ¹	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison	McClaren	Chandler ¹	Garner(86)
Wallington	Palmer	Buckley	Williams	Hindmarch	Maclaren ¹	Micklewhite	Christie ¹	Davison	McClaren +	Chandler	Blades(80)
Wallington	Palmer	Buckley	Williams	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite ¹	Christie ¹	Davison ²	McClaren	Chandler ¹	Garner
Wallington	Palmer	Buckley	Williams	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison ¹	McClaren +	Chandler ¹ p	Garner(61)
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Wallington	Palmer	Buckley	Williams +	Hindmarch	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison	McClaren	Chandler ¹ p	Garner(70)
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Wallington	Blades	Buckley	Williams	Hindmarch ²	Maclaren	Micklewhite	Christie	Davison ¹	Garner	Chandler	Harbey
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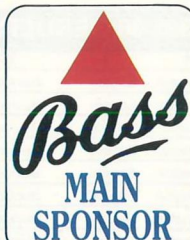
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	ROB HINDMARCH	5	MARK CAME
	ROSS MACLAREN	6	STEVE THOMPSON
	GARY MICKLEWHITE	7	PHIL NEAL
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